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## **AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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This responds to the Final Office Action dated September 21, 2007. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.